



Pack Creek Fire Update

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Start Date	Cause	Size	Percent Containment	Helicopters	Engines	Crews	Dozers	Total Personnel
June 9, 2021	Abandoned Campfire	8,952	82%	3	4	2	0	113

Summary:

The reprieve from the high temperatures during the beginning of this incident is expected to continue this week. This afternoon, there may be increased moisture, wind, and/or lightning. Firefighters continue monitoring the fire, looking for hotspots along the perimeter, addressing hazard trees, and completing rehabilitation work.

This incident has a strong safety record. Fire managers are grateful to all of the local and visiting staff for their professionalism and good work. The safety of firefighters and the public is the top priority on this incident. The updated closure is still in effect, but as people begin to re-enter the area, they should be on the lookout for fallen trees, uneven ground, reduced visibility from dust or smoke, firefighting personnel who continue to work in the area, and other hazards. The public should expect trail and recreation site closures to continue due to risks from falling trees and/or potential flooding.

The Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR) is still in place for the area from Spanish Valley Drive into the La Sal Mountains. Unauthorized use of aircraft (including drones) in a TFR is illegal and is a safety risk for firefighters and pilots.

Evacuations are still in place for the Holyoak and Dark Canyon areas. The La Sal Loop Road is now open, but Geyser Pass and Oowah Lake Roads are closed. The Warner Lake and Oowah Lake campgrounds remain closed. The Manti La Sal National Forest updated the closure order for the La Sal Mountains on June 24. The closure can be found online: <https://bit.ly/3h7ixYM>.

Investigators are still seeking leads to help identify those responsible for the fire's ignition. Anyone who has information related to the identification of the responsible party of the Pack Creek Fire can call the tip line at 775-355-5337.

As of June 25, public and state lands are in stage 2 fire restrictions in Carbon, Emery, Grand and San Juan counties. Stage 2 restrictions mean campfires are not allowed on public or state lands. Learn more on the Utah Fire Information website: <https://utahfireinfo.gov/active-fire-restriction-documents/>.